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WEATHER.

Western Oregon and Washington—Occasional rain.
Eastern Oregon and Washington and Idaho—Probably fair.

"THROUGH A GLASS, DARKLY."

Disguise it as they may, the Portland papers have "got it in" for the port of Astoria, and are pursuing a direct, antagonistic course that will drive the trade of this city elsewhere if there is not an abatement of it. It has been going on for years and has at last become so unbearable that the outraged sense of this community is preparing to administer the only rebuke in its power, the turning of its trade elsewhere. The feeling is growing all over the city and county and definite action of some sort is in the wind, but just how it will assert itself is conjectural at the moment. It began last winter and had its root in the Port of Portland bill and the nasty skull-duggery employed to cram it through the Legislature, and the feeling has not abated here since, though it may have been less manifest, at times; but the insolent persistence of the Oregonian in asserting the claims of Puget Sound as the only alternative commercial factor in the northwest, shows conclusively that Astoria is slated for extinction and the sum of Portland's dread removed for all time.

There is such a thing as carrying the spirit of dominance too far, and Portland has about reached the limit of her right, in thus deliberately eliminating this city from the maps and markets of Oregon, and she is warned now, and here, that we of Astoria intend to square this thing and do it with dollars, since Portland is amenable to nothing else on God's green earth!

A NEW YORK FORECAST.

The New York Commercial figures it out after this fashion:

"Inasmuch as actual delegate-getting is the prime essential in securing a national-convention nomination for President of the United States—for the votes are what create nominees, wholly apart from popular or party sentiment or newspaper support—there is considerable force in the boasts of the backers of Philander C. Knox of Pennsylvania that he is today the leading candidate for the Republican nomination because he has more 'visible strength' than any other aspirant for the honor; he has 68 votes pledged to him by the unanimous action of the Republican State convention of Pennsylvania. Cannon has the 54 votes of Illinois committed to his support and two from Michigan—56 in all; Fairbanks has the 30 votes of Indiana 'solid'; La Follette will unquestionably have the 28 votes of Wisconsin; Taft has only two actually pledged votes those of Alaska—and the present prospect is for a split delegation from his own State of Ohio; while of Governor Hughes the Knox boomers remark in a formal statement of the 75 votes of New York." We should say so—he isn't assured of even one vote as yet! As early as March in 1895 McKinley had fully 100 votes votes irrevocably pledged to him—and the convention was still 15 months away; and by January, 1896, his backers could figure up considerably more than half enough votes to secure the requisite majority in the convention. Knox has 134 per cent of the 461 votes necessary to a choice in the Chicago convention of 1906; Taft has less than one-half of 1 per cent. This is only a comparison by "the visible," to be sure—but, nevertheless, keep your eye on the Pennsylvania man!"

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EDITORIAL SALAD.

If the United States continues to allow other countries to surpass it in fostering a merchant marine, it is more than probable that the American flag will be seldom seen even in the Panama Canal when completed.

Governor Hoke Smith of Georgia declares that the Democratic party is in a chaotic condition and that it is time for Southern Democrats to claim something on their own account. The only surprise caused by this remark is that such comment in the south is not general.

"There should be no quarreling among us in advance," says Mr. Bryan, "relative to offices to be distributed after election." At the same time an occasional reference to the fact that there will be such a distribution in case of success may be used to point a moral about harmony and good feeling.

A new steamer to run between Washington and Norfolk will be 305 feet long and 52 feet wide, with a speed of over 20 miles an hour, and built at a cost of \$400,000. By walking down to the Potomac wharf Congress can see a specimen of the sort of boats encouraged by a permanent deep channel.

It is predicted that the completion of the Panama Canal will create a great tide of European emigrants to the coast regions of the Pacific in North America, Central America, and South America. The isthmian waterway will cause many changes that Uncle Sam can not foresee, but he is willing to pay the freight.

A CHEERFUL WORD.

Henry Clews, the New York Banker in His Last Public Letter, Says:

The tendency of affairs in Wall Street is distinctly towards improvement. Confidence is reviving and a much greater degree of recovery has already been established than could possibly have been foretold a month or six weeks ago. This improvement is almost entirely due to favorable developments in the monetary situation. The premium on currency has finally disappeared and rates for time money are steadily declining. Along with this movement there has been a corresponding drop in rates for commercial paper, the demand for which has much improved. The derangement in credit is gradually passing away; liquidation has been severe and has had the effect of releasing large sums previously locked up in high-priced securities. The return movement of funds from the interior has fairly begun and will now continue for some time to come. There is an abundance of currency in the interior and a relative scarcity in New York. This is demonstrated by the last national bank statement, which showed that the banks in the central reserve cities in order to help during the crisis allowed their reserves to decline to \$32,000,000 below legal requirements, while the country banks carried surplus reserves of over \$103,000,000. With the return of confidence and the resumption of specie payments, there should be a very large influx of these funds back to New York and other reserve cities. For this reason the deficit in New York reserves must be nearly wiped out, and for some time to come rising averages will probably be the rule. When it is recalled that the increase in circulation during the last twelve months has been \$195,000,000, of which nearly \$70,000,000 was added in December, it will be apparent that a very material increase in the supply of loanable funds is imminent at this center. It is also to be considered that hoardings in all parts of the country, estimated at over \$270,000,000 are being released and will soon be restored into circulation."

COFFEE

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MANY FREIGHT CARS ARE IDLE.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Railroads of the United States and Canada have 206,900 freight cars in excess of business demands, according to a statement that will be issued this week by the Car Service Committee of the American Railway Association. Shortages exist on only a few roads, the total number of additional cars that could be used on these lines amounting to 774. The figures are compiled from reports made to the committee by 153 railroads. Assuming the average value of a car to be \$600, equipment representing \$124,080,000 of capital is lying idle on side tracks. The surplus cars aggregate nearly 10 per cent of all the cars owned in this country and Canada.

It Does The Business

Mr. E. E. Chamberlain, of Clinton, Maine, says of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. "It does the business; I have used it for piles and it cured them. Used it for chapped hands and it cured them. Applied it to an old sore and it healed it without leaving a scar behind." 25c at Chas. Rogers' drug store.

REID IN CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 15.—White-law Reid, Ambassador to Great Britain from the United States, accompanied by D. O. Mills, his father-in-law and Mrs. Whitelaw Reid, arrived in this city late yesterday from New York. How long Ambassador Reid will remain in California is not stated, but as the family home at Millbrae has been decorated and remodeled, it is believed the party will spend part of the winter there.

A Card

This is to certify that all druggists are authorized to refund your money if Foley's Honey and Tar fails to cure your cough or cold. It stops the cough, heals the lungs and prevents serious results from a cold. Cures la grippe coughs and prevents pneumonia and consumption. Contains no opiates. The genuine is in a yellow package. Refuse substitutes. T. F. Laurin, Owl Drug Store.

CAN SELL MORTGAGES.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—A despatch to the Tribune from Danville, Ill., says: Judge Wright in the Federal Court yesterday rendered a decision in the case of David Sommers against the Illinois State Trust Company of East St. Louis, involving about \$20,000,000 worth of railroad land and timber properties in Florida. Complaints asked that the Trust Company be restrained from foreclosing and selling mortgages on the Apalachicola Northern Railway Company, Florida Development Company, and Florida Land Company. Judge Wright over-ruled the motion for a temporary restraining order. The decision leaves the Trust Company free to hold the sale of mortgages advertised for last month at East St. Louis.

Special Announcement Regarding the National Pure Food and Drug Law

We are pleased to announce that Foley's Honey and Tar for coughs, colds and lung troubles is not affected by the National Pure Food and Drug law as it contains no opiates or other harmful drugs, and we recommend it as a safe remedy for children and adults. T. F. Laurin, Owl Drug Store.

ADE HAS NO TIME FOR POLITICS.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—A despatch to the Tribune from Laporte, Ind., says: George Ade, humorist and playwright, who recently announced himself as a candidate for delegate from the tenth Indiana district to the Republican national convention in Chicago, yesterday announced his withdrawal. Ade gives as the reason for his action that he has no time for politics.

Fever Sores.

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DIVORCE SUIT FILED.

Alimony and Custody of Fourteen-Year Boy Asked.

RENO, Nev., Jan. 15.—Alleging that her husband has been addicted to the use of intoxicants and that she discovered it four days after their marriage, Mrs. Carmen V. Boyd, who is said to be the wife of American Vice-Consul Wilson P. Boyd of Shanghai, filed suit for divorce in the district court here yesterday. Mrs. Boyd has been staying at the Riverside Hotel for several months.

The Boyds were married in Honolulu in 1893 and 10 years later, according to the complaint, he confessed "that he had been untrue to her." She asks \$100 of his \$300 monthly income and the custody of their 14-year-old son.

Don't Take the Risk.

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A New York paper protests against the introduction of the kitchenette, which means a culinary room no larger than a closet. The tablet may not have arrived in food, but is near in living quarters.

Kemp's Balsam will stop any cough that can be stopped by any medicine and cure coughs that cannot be cured by any other medicine. It is always the best cough cure.

Ruef may go free, but before the prosecution is through with him he will know there has been something doing.

Rank Foolishness.

"When attacked by a cough or a cold, or when your throat is sore, it is rank foolishness to take any other medicine than Dr. King's New Discovery," says C. O. Eldridge, of Empire, Ga. "I have used New Discovery seven years and I know it is the best remedy on earth for coughs and colds, croup, and all throat and lung troubles. My children are subject to croup, but New Discovery quickly cures every attack." Known the world over as the King of throat and lung remedies. Sold under guarantee at Chas. Rogers' drug store. 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free.

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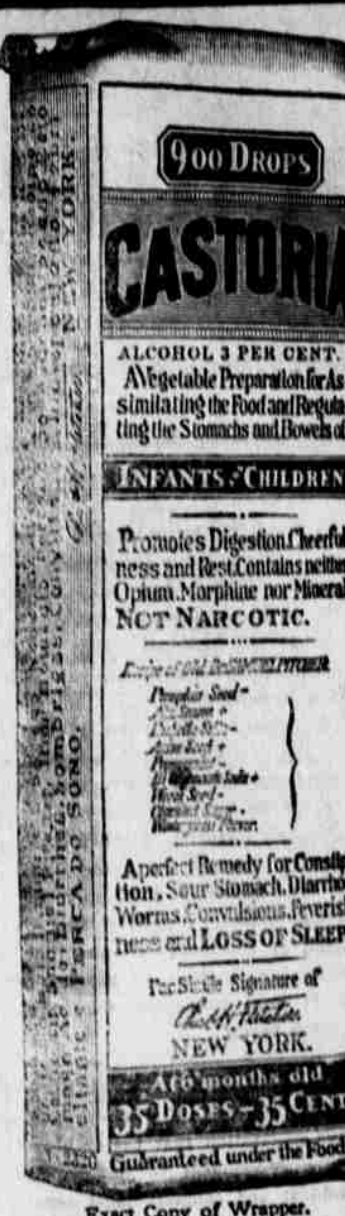
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Angelica—Soft, agreeable, full.

Muscatel—Very fruity, sweet.

WHITE WINES

Riesling—Medium light table wine.

Sauternes—Natural mellow, pronounced

flavor.

Chateau Yquem—Full bodied Creme

of Sauternes.

Sparkling Sec Dry—Fragrant, effervescent.

RED WINES

Zinfandel—Clean, light table wine.

Burgundy—Medium bodied, mellow.

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